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IS AGUINALDO DEAD?

MARCH'S MEN KILLED OFFICER WITH LEADER'S PAPERS.

SURPRISED AT LAGAT.

Filipino on Gray Horse Shot Dead or Badly Wounded-Body Carried Off by by Followers-The Saddlebags Contained Aguinaldo's Diary and Some Private Papers, Including Proclamations.

Vigan, Luzon, By Cable.) -Some of Major March's soldiers who have returned to Vigan tell a circumstantial story of the killing or wounding on May I9, at Lagat, by a detachneat of the Thirty-third Infantry, of the Filipino officer believed to be Aguinaldo. The body was removed by natives.

Aguinaldo had 100 men; Major March 125. The American commander on May 7 reached Leboagan, where Aguinaldo had made his headquarters since March 6. Aguinaldo had fled seven hours before, leaving all the beaten trails and traveling through the forest along the beds of streams. Toward evening May 19, Major March struck Aguinaldo's outpost about a mile outside of Lagat, killing four Filipinos and capturing two. From the latter be learned that Aguinaldo had camped there for the night.

Although exhausted and half starved, Major March's men entered Lagat on the rue. They saw the natives scattering into the bushes or over the plateau. A thousand. yards beyond the town, on the mountain side, the figures of 25 Filipinos, dressed in white, with their leader on a gray horse, were silhouetted against the sunset. The Americans fired a volley and saw the officer drop from his horse. His followers fled,

carrying the body. The Americans, on reaching the spot, caught the horse, which was richly saddled. Blood from a badly wounded man was on the animal and on the ground. The saddlebags contained Aguinaldo's diary and some private papers, including proclamations. One of these was addressed: "To the Civilized Nations." It protested against the American occupation of the Philippines. There were also found copies of Senator Baveridge's speech, translated into Spanish and entitled "The Death Knell of the Fili-

pino People. Major March, believing that the Filipinos had taken to a river which is tributary to ileo, followed it for two days, reaching Tia, where he learned that a party of Filipinos had descended the river May 20 on a raft with the body of a dead or wounded man upon a litter covered with palm 108 408

There Major March reviewed his command, shoe'e-s and exhausted, and picked out 24 of the freshest men, with whom he beat the surrounding country for six days longer but without finding any trace of the Filipinos. The Americans pushed on and arrived at Aparri May 29.

The officer shot was either Aguinaido or his adjutant, and as the horse was richly caparisoned, it is a fair presumption that it

was Aguinaldo. The soldiers of General Young, Military Governor of Northwestern Luzon, captured early last month a native officer with papers revealing Aguinaldo's whereabouts. eral Young immediately organized for pursuit, giving Major March a chance to finish the work begun in November. Major March left Candon May 10, hurrying north toward Laboagan, while Colonel Hare, with a battalion divided into two parts, started from Rangued, Province of Abra, covering the trails westward. The garrisons in the Cagayan Valley were disposed in such a way as to guard the avenues of escape eastward. Spies heralded the approach of Major March with signal fires. On reaching Laboagan he apprehended a letter in Aguinaldo's handwriting, the ink of which was

hardly dry, addressed to an officer of guerrillas in the Filipino army, and saying: "There having arrived this morning at Laboagan a hostile column from Bokoe have set out with all my forces. My road

has no fixed destination.' This was signed "Colonei David" a sobriquet. Aguinaldo called at the Presidencia, from which he issued decrees and where his followers celebrated Easter with a banquet at a triangular table, when speeches were made eulogizing Gregorio del Pilar.

That night Major March's men slept in the bamboo, resuming the advance in the morning and reaching Lagat, 40 miles distant, in two days, although it was raining hard in the mountains all the time.

Aguinaldo's papers are important. They show that he took refuge in Isabela Provuce, where he remained until he established himself at Labosgan, Province of Abra, where he proposed to direct the rainy-season operations.

Blinded by the Eclipse.

Lancaster, Pa., (Special.)-Mrs. H. C. McAllister, of Conestoga Center, near here, has became blind in one eye as a result of gazing too long at the eclipse of the sun. She watched it closely for a long time, both through smoked glass and with the naked eye. Her sight became dim the next day, and grew steadlly worse until she is unable to see with that eve

Burglars Loot a Bank.

New Lisbon, Wis., (Special) .- Burglars blew to pieces the vault of the Bank of New Lisbon and escaped with several thousand dollars in eash. The front of the building was partially wrecked.

THE NEWS.

mitted a report resenting criticisms of the committee by Senator Clark.

The Senate adopted the conference report the President.

The Penrose armor-plate amendment was carried in the Senate-39 to 35.

Congress foot up \$709,729,476. Governor Roosevelt issued an order dismissing Major Clinton H. Smith, of the Seventy-first Regiment, for his conduct at

John H. Holt, of Huntington, was nominated by Democratic State Convention for

governor of West Virginia. Captain B. B. Dovener was nominated for

Former Congressman Dockery was nominated by Democrats for governor of Missouri

Indiana Democrats nominated John W. Kern for governor and reaffirmed the Chicago platform.

for Porto Rico and Hawaii and others for

In the Senate Mesers. Hanna, Carter and Pettigrew had sharp words about charges made by Mr. Pettigrew.

The Senate, by a tie vote, refused to confirm W. D. Bynum as general appraiser at New York.

Twenty-ninth Infantry, and twenty-five men of the Eighteenth, captured forty Filipino insurgents and ten thousand rounds of ammunition on an expedition to the Island of

tarks on the cars continue. Four men concerned in the Lancaster, Pa.

prison Dr. Richard Salter Storrs, pastor emeritus of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn

William H. Hummel was hanged at Williamsport, Pa., for the marder of his wife and three children on November 16, 1899.

and Terminal Company.

Risley Record was killed near Shrewsbury.

a week.

was foiled by the express messenger.

John R. Hoke, of Hanover, Pa., was robbed by a thief who had politely asked to have a

note changed. crulae.

The town hall of Foxboro, Mass., was

son Davis was celebrated in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Giles Chambers, a prominent physiclan of Vineland, N. J., was assassinated. A mob of colored men lynched Dago Pete, colored, at Tutwiler, Miss.

her home in Millville, N. J. Rev. Benjamin J. Kelley was consecrated

bishop of Savannah by Cardinal Gibbons, assisted by the Bishop of Wilmington and the Bishop of Charleston. The services were held in the Cathedral-Church in Richmond and were very impressive. A new trial was denied in Philadelphia to

Mrs. Anna R. Gazzan, who was ordered to the husband of Mrs. Elizabeth G. Reading. Europe was stopped by suits filed against her by Marcus Mayer, her manager, and Clyde Fitch, the playwright. Julian T. Biddulph Arnold, a son of the

Francisco, and will fight extradition. Vincent S. Selvzer, of Reading, Pa., ac-

Electric Lighting Company.

The House passed the Anti-trust bill, only

Senator Chandler, as chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, sub-

on the Sundry Civil bill and it was sent to

The total appropriations by the present

the battle of San Juan.

Congress by the Republicans of the First West Virginia district.

by acclamation.

The President nominated General Joseph Wheeler to be brigadier general of the army The President nominated certain officers

promotion in the army.

Major Johnson, with two companies of the

A committee of fifty prominent business men of St. Louis city have sent a communication to Governor Stephens asking him to order out militia to restore order in St. Louis. The strike situation is more serious and at-

revenue cigar stamp conspiracy confessed their guilt at Lancaster and were sent to

ed at his home, after an illness of two

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has bought the property of the Wheeling Bridge

Dr. Giles R. Chambers died at Vineland, N. J., of apoplexy. It was thought at first he had been murdered

Pa., by a swiftly revolving saw at a sawmill. A collision occurred on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad near Weldon, in which two men were instantly killed and three seriously injured. No. 32, known as the Atlantic Coast Line fast mall train, ran into an open switch at Garysburg, resulting in a collision with some freight cars.

Sheriff Noel Roberts and two other men were shot to death at St. Augustin, Texas, as the result of a feud which also involved the killing of a former sheriff and his son within

San Francisco hea th authorities declared that the death of the Chinaman, which was investigated, was due to the bubonic plague, An attempt to hold up the northbound cannon-ball train near Longview, Texas,

John A. Graham, a Savannah capitalist, killed City Councilman John Bradford in

The frigate Lancaster left Philadelphia with five hundred boys and landsmen for a

burned, one man being kliled and two in-The anniversary of the birthday of Jeffer-

Mrs. Harriet Barnes committed suicide at

pay \$25,000 for alienating the affections of Miss Olga Nethersole's proposed trip to

English poet, who is wanted in England on a criminal charge, was arrested in San cused three members of the Select Council of selling their votes to the Metropolitan

one member voting in the negative.

ROBERTS' FORCES HAVE ENTERED TRANSVAAL CAPITAL.

London Again Wildly Futhusiastic-Scenes Anent the Relief of Mafeking Re-Enacted Upon the Streets of the World's

Metropolis-Sad News From Lindley a

WAR CONSIDERED AS OVER.

Slight Offset to Recent Successes. London, Eng., (By Cable.) -- A leading stage in the South African war was brought to a

close when Lord Roberts' British troops occupied Pretoria. Lord Roberts sent a series of dispatches to the London War Office describing the occupation of Pretoria and the events that pre-ceded it. No defense was made of the city itself or the forts around it, though the Boers made a hard fight at Six-Mile Spruit or

creek, about 10 miles south of the capital.

The battle began about noon on Monday. The Boers were on both banks of the spruit and the British attacked. After some fighting the burghers retreated and the British followed until they found themselves under a heavy fire from concealed cannon. It was another "trap," but on account of Lord Roberts' vastly superior numbers it did not succeed. After an artiilery conflict the Boers retired, taking their connon safely away. They next tried to turn the British left, and made some progress, but General Hamilton arrived with reinforcements and the Boers finally re-

treated. The fight had continued until dark and the invaders encamped on the battlefield. Generals French and Hutton were sent north of Pretoria and Lord Roberts prepared to advance with his main army at daybreak. An officer with a flag of truce was sent to demand the surrender of Pretoria. Just before midnight messengers from Gen. Louis Botha, the Boer commander-in-chief, visited Lord Roberts and proposed an armistice for the purpose of settling terms of surrender. Lard Roberts replied that he was not prepared to discuss terms, as the surrender must be unconditional. Later General Botha sent word that he had decided not to defend the city. It was arranged by local officials that the surrender should occur at

2 P. M., at which time the British troops en-Mrs. Kruger, wife of the Boer president, remains in Pretoria. Lord Roberts cables that a few of the 4,500 British prisoners have been taken away, but most of them are still at Waterval, in the northern suburbs of the

capital, and will probably be released. London madly celebrated the occupation of Pretoria. The rougher element took possession of many of the streets, throwing dirt, insulting women and committing other acts

TRAINS COLLIDE.

DISASTROUS FREIGHT WRECK AT DOVER. DEL.

Dover, Del., (Special.)-At 3.30 P. M. at Dover, Del., on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, a division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, occurred the most disastrous railroad wreck that has ever happened at this place. The north-bound local freight was slowly pulling in at Dover, preparing to take water, when the heavy north-bound Norfolk strawberry freight train came thundering at a high rate of speed in the rear, telescoping eight heavily loaded

refrigerator cars. Two cars were converted into splinters. Steel rails were broken like pipestems. Eight cars were piled upon one another, taking fire from the buried locomotive, flames leaping high in the air. The fireman was saved, but the engineer was fatally injured. Five tramps were buried beneath the wreck, three of whom were saved after prodigious efforts of townsmen and the local fire company, though one of them afterwards died. Another had both legs and ribs broken; another was hurt in the shoulders, while the bodies of the other two have not yet been found.

The local fire company fought the flames for three hours with only one line of hose, and the nearest fireplug half a mile away. The wrecking train arrived from Clayton about five o'clock and proceeded to clear the tracks. Superintendent Holliday came upon the scene and gave it his personal supervision. The two trains were composed of more

than one hundred heavily loaded refrigera-

tor cars, and the collision was terrific. heavy cars were thrown about like rubber balls. Thousands of people visited the scene. Diaz Honors M'Kinley. Chicago, Ill., (Special.)-A special dis-

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tion at Buffalo as a complimentary body

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THE NATIONAL CAME. The Atlantic League appears to be upon its last legs.

Robinson is catching in his old-time form for St. Louis. Worcester has the highest salaried team in the Eastern Loague.

The Brooklyn motto, "Strengthen at any cost," is the one that wins. Boston is now playing the poorest engagement of her baseball career.

Hickman is being tried at third for New York. Mercer has been shifted to the out-field. Both Barrett and Crawford, the of the Cincinnati team, are out of the

Nichols says that McGraw, of St. Louis, is the most difficult man in the League to pitch to.

Chicago has a string of six seasoned pitchers in Griffith, Callahan, Taylor, Garvin, Menefee and Killen. Manager Selee, of Boston, has switched his outfielders, Stahl going to left field and Freeman to right, which is the latter's

home position. Louis Bruce, the Indian pitcher of the Toronto team, is of the Mohawk tribe. His people live on the Caughnawaga Reservation, Cornwall, Oct.

There really are no youngsters on the regular Brooklyn team. Every man on that team has been playing professional ball for a good many years. The Pittsburg Club has further strength ened its team in its only weak spot—the catching department—by the purchase of Oatcher O'Connor from the St. Louis Ciub. That great baseball city, Washington, is restricted for the season to semi-professional ball, which is to be furnished by the

"League of Maryland, Virginia and Dis-triet of Columbia." The grand stand of the Cincinnati Base-ball Club was almost destroyed by fire a few days ago. The loss is about \$15,009. The stan 1 will be rebuilt by the time the club returns from its Eastern trip.

"The time will come," said Manager "The time will come," said Manager Hanlon the other day, "when the League will have to legislate against players who stand up at the plate and foul off ball after ball. Roy Thomas, of the Philadelphias, is one of those batsmen. He is as valuable to a team as a .400 per cent, hitter, for he never steps to the plate that he does not worry a pitcher by his persistent fouling."

"EXHIBIT A" IN RUBBISH.

Paper that Means Thousands to South

Carolina Comes to Light. Washington, (Special) .- Senator Tillman eceived from the Governor of South Caro lina an important paper recently discovered in an old rubbish pile at the State Capitol at Columbia, which may cost the United States Government something like \$500,000. The long-lost document, which mysteriously disappeared from the files over thirty years ago, is pronounced genuine by Mr. Tillman and it is his intention to proceed at once to secure an adjustment of war claims pending on the Federal Government and his State. The important discovery is the long-lost paper known as the Black Voucher, exhibit A," setting forth in detail the claims of

of 1812 and 1836 and the Mexican War. The claims mentioned will be used to off-set the claim on the State of South Carolins by the United States Government for the payment of \$248,17, for bonds and \$340,000 or ordnance stores soized in the arsenal a Charleston at the outbreak of the Civil War

South Carolina for supplies and moneys ex

ended in the Revolutionary War, the wars

Almed at Postoffice Employes. Washington, (Special) .- Senator Chand ler introduced a bill prohibiting employe of the Government, under the civil service, from organizing associations which are use for the promotion of legislation. The bill is aimed at the postal clerks, whose organizations are interested in bills before Congress



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